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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David J. Mangelsdorf and Bethany A. Janowski

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For: METHODS AND SCREENING FOR

AGONISTS OF LXRA TRANSCRIPTION

Group Art Unit: 1646

Highlander

Examiner: Pak, M.

Atty. Dkt. No.: UTSD:578USC2/SLH

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION DATED OCTOBER 2, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including December 2, 2001 in which to respond to the Office Communication dated October 2, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$55.00) for a one-month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R.

 $\S\S~1.16$ to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an 01/29/2002 SDENBOB1 00000035 09603131

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overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10020402/SLH.

Respectfully submitted,

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